

Commissioner, Nikki has been an effective advocate for conserving Florida's lands, fighting hunger, combating climate change, supporting farmers, and reducing gun violence.

Commissioner Fried is an exceptional public servant devoted to the cause of improving quality of life for all Floridians.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating Nikki Fried.

ELLA PHILLIPS

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ella Phillips for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Ella Phillips is a student at Three Creeks K-8 and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ella Phillips is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Ella Phillips for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

SANDEE SYTSMA, PLANT CITY  
CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

### HON. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sandee Sytsma for being named the 2020 Plant City, Florida Citizen of the Year.

In its 62nd year, this award was created to highlight civic-minded Plant City-area residents who have dedicated their lives toward giving back to their community. They must be persons of noble character, a humble spirit and steeped in the virtues of Plant City.

Sandee has supported a myriad of causes through the committees she serves on, including Relay for Life, Diamonds & Denim, Veterans Memorial Park and the Plant City Mural. Sandee was recognized as the Good Egg by the Greater Plant City Chamber of Commerce. She serves with her congregation at GracePoint Church, was the first woman to serve as chair of the Florida Strawberry Festival and has represented the festival and the community in countless talk shows and publications over the years.

Our communities are only as strong as the people who serve them. Plant City is a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family, thanks, in part, to outstanding citizens like Sandee Sytsma.

On behalf of the 15th District of Florida, congratulations to Sandee Sytsma for earning

this distinguished honor. Plant City thanks Sandee for her tireless dedication and service to our community.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF JOYCE RYDER VANDEVERE

### HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of teacher, activist, and social justice advocate, Joyce Ryder Vandevere, who recently passed away at the age of 94 on February 17, 2021.

Joyce's parents met while students at UC Berkeley and instilled Joyce with the value of education and a firm sense that she could accomplish anything she set her mind to. Joyce graduated from Pomona College in 1948 and earned a master's degree in Psychology and Child Development from Stanford in 1950. Upon receiving her degrees, Joyce became director of a preschool in San Francisco where she would be introduced to prominent progressive leaders, including labor leader Harry Bridges. It was during this period that Joyce developed a commitment to social justice and equality.

In 1956, with her husband Judson Vandevere, Joyce moved to Monterey, where she would reside for the rest of her life and dedicate her time to social service and political activism on the central coast of California. During the Vietnam War, Joyce worked to provide soldiers at Ft. Ord with counseling and other services that would otherwise be unavailable to them. Additionally, she was an advocate for prison reform and worked with Friends Outside to support the families of incarcerated individuals.

Joyce returned to her teaching career in the 1960s as a volunteer teacher with Head Start in Seaside, California. In 1971, she co-founded the Learning Community, an open classroom, alternative program at Seaside's Del Rey Woods School, and would continue to teach until 1988.

Further, Joyce was a co-founder of the local chapter of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Peace Coalition of Monterey County, and the Monterey Peace and Justice Center. She remained active in all these organizations until her death. Joyce even learned to code and designed relational databases while in her 70s to produce a weekly Peace calendar.

Joyce's life is celebrated by her children, Keith and Gwyn, her three great-grandchildren, and her numerous nieces and nephews. Joyce's meaningful legacy of service and advocacy will always endure with the people living on the central coast of California.

### RECOGNIZING THE FRONTLINE HEALTHCARE WORKERS OF SOUTH DAKOTA

### HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize, celebrate,

and honor the frontline healthcare workers of the great state of South Dakota.

Some of these South Dakota heroes are: Maria Lee, Samantha Lee, Ann Lee, Lisa Lee, Lynn Lee, Sherrie Lee, Mary Lee, Tara Lee, Darcie Lee, McKenzie Lee, Rhonda Lee, Melanie Lee, Christy Lee, Rebecca Lee, Michael Lee, Payton Lee, Taylor Lee, Mary Leedom, Marcia Leemhuis, Peggy Leenkecht Roberts, Tracey Leet, Merri Leetch, Ashley Lefdal, Renee Leffers, Dedra Leffring, Heather Legel, Kristen Legner, Kila LeGrand, Peggy Lehman, David Lehnen, Tiffany Lehnen, Joann Lehner, Britt Lehr, Melissa Lehr, Yvonne Lehrke, Corey Lehrman, Debra Leibel, Kelly Leibel, Jenna Leibel, Michele Leibfarth, April Leichtenberg, Lauren Leichtnam, Kelsey Leif, Chesney Leiferman, Meghan Leifheit, Debra Leige, Hunter Leighton, Kerry Leighty, Caitlin Leimbach, Emily Leinen, Monica Leins, Heidi Leischner, Darci Leisenring, Bernice Leite, Mandi Leite, Constance Leiter, Susan Leitheiser, Elena Leitheiser, Maurine Lembke, Melita Lemer, Lisa Lemer, Stephanie Lemer, Katie Lemier, Diana Lemke, Marti Lemke, Kori Lemler, Shelby Lemler, Hope Lemler, Cara Lemmage, Brittini Lemmel, Sr Corinne Lemmer, Kelsie Lemmon, Jill Lemon, Andrea Lemon, Lisa Lemon, Mollie Lems, Kathryn Lengkeek, Melinda Lenhart.

Teresa Lennemann, Amanda Lenning, Sophia Lenter, Laura Lentsch, Savanna Lentsch, Valerie Lentz, Beth Lentz, Beth Lentz, Jaime Lenz, Tracy Lenz, Traci Lenz, Emily Leon, Rebecca Leonard, Mark Leonard, Lisa Leonard, Sydney Leonard, Jessica Leonard, Nathan Leonard, Jodi Leonard, Kyrine Leopargas, Ellie Lepel, Sarah Lepke, Tina Leppert, Jani Lerback, Kylee Lerback, Sandra Lerdal, Peggy Leslie-Smith, Kari Lesselyoung, Catherine Lessly, Rita Lester, Heather Lester, Alysia Lester, Rayne Lester, Deborah Letcher, Shawna Letcher, Suzanne Letcher, Vicki Lettau, Kathryn Leuning, Melissa Leuning, Holly Leusink, Stephanie Leuthold, Emily Leuthold, Angela Levene, Sally Levengood, Melissa Levering, Sharie Levi-Pifer, Taylor Lewandowski, Nancy Lewellen, Michele Lewellen, Kari Lewis, Teresa Lewis, Lelia Lewis, Steven Lewis, Connie Lewis, Judy Lewis, Theresa Lewis, Sheena Lewis, Brittany Lewis, Katelyn Lewis, Benjamin Lewis, Olivia Lewis, Billie Jo Lewis, Grant Lewis, Sara Lewis, Amanda Lewis.

Katelyn Lewis, Tracey Lewis, Janet Lewis-Kusler, Nichole Lewison, Debra Lewison, Daniel Lewison, Cindy Lewno, Laura Lewno, Kathy Leyden, Cheri Leyendecker, Ashley Liang, Michelle Lichtenberg, James Lichty, Timothy Lichty, Rebecca Lick, Angela Liddell, Tara Liddiard, Janet Liefeld, Christine Lien, Katherine Lienke, Vicki Lieuwen, Mary Liggons, Christine Light, Rosalie Ligtenberg, Emma Lilleberg, Michaela Lilleberg, Ashley Lillebo, Daysa Lilly, Christine Anne Lim, Jessica Limke, Julie Limmer, Janet Limoges, Laura Limoges, Kami Lindberg, Mariah Lindberg, Jill Lindberg, Lori Lindblom, Rebekah Lindbloom, Amanda Lindbloom, Peter Linde, Ann Lindeman, Tanner Lindeman, Melissa Linden, Carol Linder, Mallory Linderman, Rosemary Lindgren, Lisa Lindgren, Ashley Lindgren, Rachel Lindgren, Adrienne Lindholm, Michele Lindner, Shelly Lindner, Daniel Lindquist, Kelsey Lindquist, Kory Lindquist, Kelsi Lindquist, Margaret Lindsay, Sonja Lindsay, Denise Lindsay, Tana Lindskov, Katherine Lindsley, Kali Lindsley,